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1. GAI SUGGESTS TOMOV ARRIVE FEBRUARY 10 FOR PROGRAM SESSION ON 11TH. PLEASE ADVISE IF DATE ACCEPTABLE. PRESUME EMBASSY CONCURS IN PER DIEM OF DOLLARS 35 PER DAY.

2. USUAL IV PROGRAM NOT REALLY DESIGNED FOR WORKING JOURNALIST TO PRACTICE PROFESSION, ALTHOUGH SOME INTERVIEWING MAYBE POSSIBLE AND WILL TRY TO ACCOMODATE TOMOV'S WISHES IN THIS REGARD TO EXTENT POSSIBLE. HOWEVER, IF TOMOV INTENDS TO FILM INTERVIEWS (OTHER THAN IN WASHINGTON WHERE USIA CAN PROVIDE STUDIO FACILITIES FOR LIMITED NUMBER OF INTERVIEWS), BELIEVE HE SHOULD PLAN TO DO SO OUTSIDE FRAMEWORK OF IVP GRANT. WOULD SUGGEST THEREFORE HE PLAN TO STAY ON AFTER COMPLETION OF GRANT TO DO WHATEVER FILMING HE FEELS NECESSARY. WHILE DEPARTMENT AND USIA WILLING PROVIDE USUAL ASSISTANCE DURING THIS PERIOD AS FOR OTHER FOREIGN JOURNALISTS, HE WOULD HAVE TO MAKE OWN ARRANGEMENTS TO HIRE AND PAY CAMERAMAN AND TAKE CARE OF EXPENSES RELATED TO FILMING (OR HAVE BTV PAY). IN SHORT, WISH GRANTEE UNDERSTAND THAT IV PROGRAM HAS CERTAIN LIMITATIONS
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SO HE WILL NOT BE DISAPPOINTED AFTER ARRIVAL. AGAIN WISH

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TO STRESS DEPARTMENT AND GAI WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT
ARRANGE MEETINGS (AND POSSIBLY INTERVIEWS) WITH PERSONS
TOMOV WISHES TO SEE, BUT CAN MAKE NO GUARANTEES. IN THIS
CONNECTION, WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING PRIOR HIS ARRIVAL
LIST OF PERSONS HE WISHES TO SEE AND/OR INTERVIEW. KISSINGER

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